

EXTRA SESSION AT AN END

Legislature Passed Appropriation Bill and Quit Last Night.

SUM FOR RUMSEY MONUMENT

It Amounts to \$1,750 and is Disappointingly Small—Closing Hours in House of Delegates.

Charleston, March 2.—The extra session of the West Virginia legislature finally passed the general appropriation bill at 11 o'clock last night and adjourned sine die. The bill, as passed, differs very little from the bill as it originally passed the house, except with regard to the second year's appropriations, which were materially reduced in many instances to permit the appropriations to come within the amount of state revenue, which, under the new assessment law, will be something of a problem for months yet.

The amended bill was up in the house all day, and made such slow progress that it looked for a time as if the session could not be concluded last night. There were several debates on minor points and pet measures, all of which finally got through.

Two additions for next year made in the senate and left in the bill by the conference committee, consisted of the provision of \$5,000 for a battle monument at Point Pleasant and \$1,750 for a monument to be erected at Shepherdstown in honor of the memory of James Rumsey, the inventor of the steamboat.

A great deal of disappointment is expressed by those interested in the item for the appropriation for the Rumsey monument. At the outset the sum of \$5,000 was asked, but as time passed it became a question whether anything could be secured. The item for \$1,750 was inserted at the last moment when the bill was up for passage in the senate, and it was allowed to pass unchallenged by the house.

All of the members of the legislature left for their homes this morning, many of them with a feeling of relief. A summing up of the work of the legislature shows that a total of 97 bills were passed, the majority of which were wholly local in character, but few being of general interest in the state. Sixty of these bills were introduced in the house and 37 in the senate. In all, there were nearly 800 bills introduced.

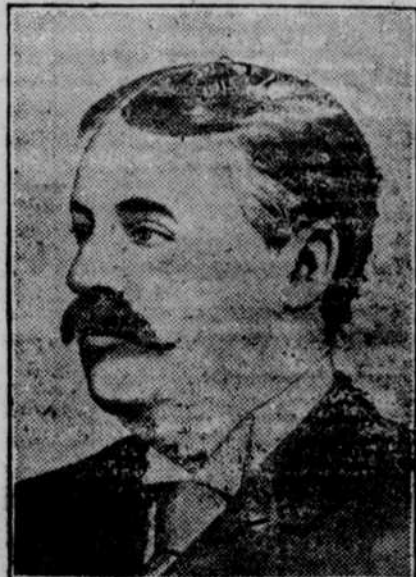
THE INVESTIGATION.

The house committee appointed to investigate the charges made against Governor White and Governor-elect Dawson, which has already been organized, will meet immediately after the adjournment of the special session and agree upon the plan to be pursued in taking evidence. The report will be made public as soon as the committee shall have completed its labors.

SENATOR WALCOTT DEAD.

Died Suddenly in France, Where he Had Gone for Health.

A cable from Monte Carlo, France, states that former United States Senator Edward O. Walcott, of Colorado, died in France yesterday. He had gone abroad in the hope of obtaining



HON. EDWARD O. WALCOTT.
(Ex-United States Senator from the State of Colorado.)

relief from stomach trouble, from which he had been a sufferer for many years. Senator Walcott served 12 years in the United States senate, and was regarded as a brilliant and capable man. His remains will be sent home for burial.



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PRESIDENT THEODORE ROOSEVELT.

Who Take the Oath of Office Today As President and Vice-President of United States

MRS. WINEBRENNER DEAD.

EXPIRED TUESDAY AFTERNOON AFTER A BRIEF ILLNESS.

Was a Native of Berkeley County and the Last Surviving Member of a Large Family.

Mrs. Susan Winebrenner, widow of Thomas Winebrenner, and an aged and highly-respected lady of this city, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Frank Keller, on North Maple avenue, Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock, after a brief illness of pneumonia. Mrs. Winebrenner became ill only a week ago, and had been confined to her bed but four days when the end came.

She was in her 79th year, and was the last surviving member of a large family. Before her marriage she was a Miss Nipe, and was a native of Berkeley county and had a ways resided in this section. She had been a widow for about 10 years, during which time she made her home with her children.

Surviving her are her five daughters—Mrs. Frank Keller, of Martinsburg; Mrs. Laura Sutton, of Vauclavesville; Mrs. Kate Avis, of Roanoke, Va.; Mrs. Annie Grove, of Allegheny, Pa. and Mrs. C. W. Ramsburg, of Winchester.

The funeral took place from her late home on Friday morning at 10:30 o'clock. The services were conducted by Rev. C. D. Harris, pastor of Trinity Methodist Episcopal church, assisted by Rev. O. S. Trump, pastor of St. John's Lutheran church. Interment in Green Hill cemetery.

MR. JAMES HESS.

Mr. James Hess, an aged resident of Virginia avenue, died at the home of his son, Mr. Hackett Hess, Wednesday afternoon after an illness which covered a period of about 11 weeks. He was one of the oldest residents of this city and had resided here for a number of years. He was in his 80th year.

Mr. Hess is survived by four sons and three daughters—Mrs. Fannie West, Mrs. Morgan Anderson, Mr. Emanuel Hess and Mr. Hackett Hess, of Martinsburg; Mrs. William Keller, of Hagerstown; Mr. James S. Hess, of Waynesboro; Mr. George Hess, of Warfordsburg. There are also 37 grand-children and six great-grand-children, two sisters and three brothers.

The funeral took place on Friday afternoon from the United Brethren church. The services were conducted by Rev. A. B. Wilson, the pastor. Interment in Green Hill cemetery.

MR. J. P. RICHARD.

Joseph P. Richard died Tuesday at his home near Bliss, six miles from Winchester, from the effects of a stroke of apoplexy. Mr. Richard was 3 years old, and a member of the Lutheran church. He was twice mar-

ried, his second wife being Miss Susan E. Larrick, by whom he is survived, together with six sons Harvey A. Luther and Julius Richard, of Frederick county; W. R. Richard, of White Post, Clarke county; W. J. Richard, of Rockport, Ind.; and Dr. J. W. Richard, of Davis, W. Va. Two daughters, Mrs. Sarah C. Rudolph and Mrs. Martha A. Snapp, of Frederick county also survive.

GEORGE HARRIS.

George Harris, a well-known farmer residing near Kabletown, died after an illness of some weeks of general debility, aged 73 years. He served in the Confederate army, in the Clarke cavalry.

ANCIENT PAPER MONEY.

Mr. Leidig Shows 20-Shilling Note 141 Years Old.

Mr. J. G. Leidig, residing north of Martinsburg, exhibited in The Evening World office Thursday a 20-shilling note issued by the province of Pennsylvania in the year 1764—141 years ago—which is in a remarkable state of preservation. The note is about two inches by three inches, of heavy paper of peculiar quality, and the printing and writing are very distinct and legible. On one side is the portentous statement, that "To counterfeit is death," while just below that is the information "Printed by B. Franklin and D. Hall, 1764." The reverse side bears the following inscription:

"No. 11,603. Twenty Shillings. This bill shall pass current for twenty shillings within the province of Pennsylvania, according to an act of assembly, made in the fourth year of the reign of King George III. Dated the 18th day of June, 1764. Twenty shill. S. P. Moore, Geo. Dillwyn, A. Hilborn."

Mr. Leidig prizes the old note very highly, and has in his collection several others not in as good state of preservation.

EZELL WILL BE HANGEE.

Telegraph Operator Who Murdered Yardmaster to Pay the Penalty.

James W. Ezell, the telegraph operator who killed Yardmaster William Porter at Newells, near Connellsville, Pa., last summer, was refused a new trial in the Circuit court at Connellsville, and was sentenced to be hanged. It will be remembered in Martinsburg that an effort was made to capture Ezell at this point, word having been sent here from Cumberland that he was on a passenger train, and the officers lying in wait for him here. He escaped from the train near Cherry Run, however, and was later captured in Pennsylvania and taken back to the scene of the crime for trial. He was found guilty of murder in the first degree. The date for the execution has not yet been fixed.

WANT INDEPENDENT LINE.

TELEPHONE COMPANY ORGANIZED IN JEFFERSON COUNTY.

Business Men and Farmers Have Been Given a Franchise by the County Court.

The Jefferson County court has granted a franchise to an independent telephone company composed of farmers and business people of Jefferson county, which has been in process of formation for several weeks, and which evidently means business with a vengeance. One of the provisions of the franchise is that the company cannot charge more than \$18 per year for residence phones and \$24 for business houses, a violation of this clause subjecting the company to a heavy penalty.

The promoters of the company have invited many farmers and business men in the eastern and southeastern portion of Berkeley county to join the movement, and it is reported in Martinsburg today that the new company has already received assurances of support from a number of patrons of the other companies, on the ground that the new company will furnish phone service at a much smaller rate.

The movement is said to be the result of widespread dissatisfaction in Jefferson county with the tolls of the other companies doing business in that section, and the fact that enough people have been found to organize the new company seems to lend color to the report. The matter is yet in its preliminary stages, and future developments will be watched with a great deal of interest in this whole section.

BUYING LIMESTONE LAND.

Extensive Developments are Expected in Jefferson County.

The sale of a fine body of limestone in the vicinity of Millville at a good price indicates the trend of development in the quarry industry in Jefferson county.

Mr. Charles Becker, the Baltimorean, who several years ago bought a large body of land east of the river in that section, has sold 211 acres of it, together with a small tract of four acres on the west side of the river near Millville Station, to H. J. Finley, of Washington, the consideration being \$30,000. The land lying east of the river was purchased by Mr. Becker from the estate of the late William Lucas at \$10 an acre, in 1888. It is said that Mr. Finley represents a syndicate which intends to open extensive quarries on the land.

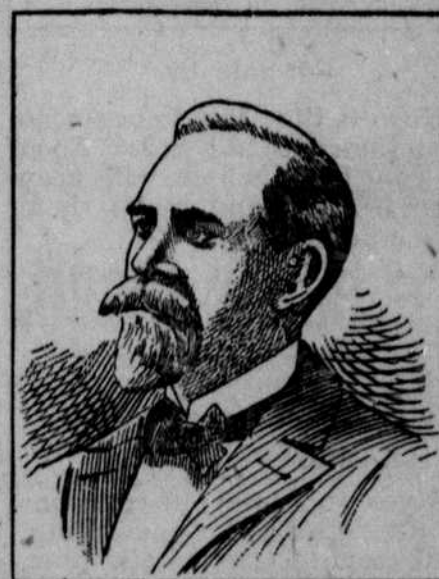
Natal Statistics.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Young, of West Stephen street—a son. To Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Thorn, of North Raleigh street—a daughter.

SWAYNE MAY RESIGN.

Reported in Washington That He Will Jump His Job.

The report comes from Washington today that Federal Judge Swayne who was acquitted on Monday of serious charges by the senate court, but who received a terrible scorching at the hands of the prosecution, will resign from the bench. Judge Swayne has presided over the federal courts for the northern district of Texas, although it was shown that his resi-



JUDGE CHARLES SWAYNE.

dence had never been made in that district, but that he lived in New Jersey. Another charge against Swayne was that he charged up more money to his expense account than his expenses actually amounted to, and he submitted as an excuse that other federal judges did the same thing. Several Martinsburg lawyers were greatly interested in the case, and went to Washington two or three times to hear important phases of the case.

PHOTOGRAPH OF SHERIFFS.

Group Picture of Former Officers Ready to be Framed.

A group photograph of former Sheriff G. L. Stuckey, and Deputies D. H. Stuckey, E. C. Kettering, Honto Walker and C. H. Caldwell, has been received at the sheriff's office here and will be hung on the wall with the photographs of former sheriffs of Berkeley county. The photograph is a splendid piece of work, with the sheriff's face in the center and the others around the edges.

Delicate Operation.

Mr. C. C. Brannon, who was operated on by Dr. T. K. Oates at Martinsburg hospital more than a week ago for decaying bone in the lower part of his leg is reported as doing well and it is thought will result in his complete recovery. The operation was a difficult one and more than a handful of bones was taken out.

AID FOR PUBLIC LIBRARY

Bill to Support Institution Goes Through the Legislature.

REVENUE THROUGH TAXATION

Provisions of the Measure Will Place Control of Library With Board of Education

Word received Wednesday by The Evening World from J. C. Hutler member of the legislature for Berkeley county, conveys the news that the last bill to pass the senate and house was the one relating to the Martinsburg free library, which had been introduced early in the session by Mr. Hutler, and which is awaiting the signature of the governor to become a law. The bill was drawn by Attorney D. C. Westenhaver, and provides that the board of education for the independent school district of Martinsburg shall levy an assessment of not less than two-tenths of one mill on each \$100 of valuation, nor more than three-tenths of one mill, for the maintenance and operation of the library. The bill further provides that the assessment shall be levied and collected the same as other taxes, and be designated as the library fund; that all money paid for the maintenance of the library shall be done upon authority of the president of the board of education and that the expenses in any one year shall not exceed the amount derived from the tax for that year.

Under the provisions of the law, the library will pass under the exclusive control of the Martinsburg board of education, and its affairs will be administered by a board of five trustees appointed by the board of education, no more than two of whom shall be members of the board.

In conversation with an officer of the library today, The Evening World learned that the new arrangement will put the library upon a firm and permanent basis, and obviate the necessity of "buttonholing" people for the funds necessary to keep that institution in operation. It is expected that the revenue to be derived under the provisions of the law will amount to about \$500 per year, which will be sufficient to pay all necessary expenses.

The library has been in existence for six or seven years, and during the last few years its affairs have been in a somewhat precarious condition, owing to insufficient revenue.

FEAR A FLOOD.

Alarm Felt by Residents Along Potomac on Account of Ice.

From many points between Cumberland and Hancock come reports of the alarm of the people living along the Potomac river at conditions which they fear portend a disastrous flood.

The ice in many places is 22 inches thick and in several places there are large masses. With the great quantity of snow in the mountains, a rain would bring a volume of water sweeping down the river that would cause a flood of terrific proportions.

An idea of the thickness of the ice can be gained from the fact that at numerous places four-horse wagons, heavily loaded, are taken across the river daily, on the ice.

About six weeks ago, the ice moved down the river from about 10 miles west of Paw Paw almost to Great Cacapon. Near the latter place it began to pile up and for fifteen or twenty miles the cakes of ice are standing on and frozen in a solid mass with snow and ice on top. A condition somewhat similar exists in the river above Cumberland, near the island, but not to such an extent as east of Cumberland. The snow yesterday adds greatly to the danger.

AFTER MANY YEARS.

Mr. Snyder Visits Old Home After a Prolonged Absence.

Mr. William M. Snyder, a former resident of Jefferson county, but for the past 26 years a resident of Kansas, has returned to the west after a visit to relatives in this section. While in Martinsburg Mr. Snyder was the guest of his brother, former Justice A. J. Snyder. It was his first visit to his old home for more than a quarter of a century, and he found many changes.